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1.98, Applicants bring the following information to the  
attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified  
application:

1.) The following patent documents and publications:

- a.) STRYJEWSKI, U.S. Patent No. 3,452,181;
- b.) MOSER '596, U.S. Patent No. 3,498,596;
- c.) STRELLA et al. '901, U.S. Patent No. 3,912,901;
- d.) LASKIN et al., U.S. Patent No. 3,967,042;
- e.) STEWART, U.S. Patent No. 4,011,362;
- f.) IMPERIAL et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,029,827;
- g.) MARTIN, U.S. Patent No. 4,046,795;

- h.) TAKIGUCHI et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,064,313;
- i.) MOSER '735, U.S. Patent No. 4,071,735;
- j.) STRELLA et al. '686, U.S. Patent No. 4,101,686;
- k.) STRELLA et al. '140, U.S. Patent No. 4,185,140;
- l.) STRYJEWSKI et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,199,626;
- m.) LENTZ, U.S. Patent No. 4,257,699;
- n.) LENTZ et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,264,181;
- o.) SEANOR, U.S. Patent No. 4,272,179;
- p.) AZAR et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,372,246;
- q.) FIELD et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,515,884;
- r.) HARTLEY et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,853,737;
- s.) DERMIGGIO et al. '050, U.S. Patent No. 4,905,050;
- t.) DERMIGGIO et al. '027, U.S. Patent No. 4,984,027;
- u.) EDDY et al. '432, U.S. Patent No. 5,017,432;
- v.) SHOJI et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,157,445;
- w.) HENRY et al. '837, U.S. Patent No. 5,217,837;
- x.) MILLS, III, U.S. Patent No. 5,247,336;
- y.) FINN et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,332,641;
- z.) CHEN et al. '698, U.S. Patent No. 5,464,698;
- aa.) HENRY et al. '813, U.S. Patent No. 5,531,813;
- bb.) CHEN et al. '917, U.S. Patent No. 5,582,917;
- cc.) CHEN et al. '823, U.S. Patent No. 5,595,823;
- dd.) EDDY et al. '813, U.S. Patent No. 5,729,813;

- ee.) CHEN et al. '545, U.S. Patent No. 5,780,545;
- ff.) CHEN et al. '416, U.S. Patent No. 5,824,416;
- gg.) CHEN et al. '673, U.S. Patent No. 5,851,673;
- hh.) CHEN et al. '893, U.S. Patent No. 5,853,893;
- ii.) TAN et al. '712, U.S. Patent No. 5,935,712;
- jj.) TAN et al. '033, U.S. Patent No. 5,998,033;
- kk.) EDDY et al. '946, U.S. Patent No. 6,011,946;
- ll.) HEEKS et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,045,961;
- mm.) TAN et al. '491, U.S. Patent No. 6,090,491;
- nn.) CHEN et al. '429, U.S. Patent No. 6,096,429;
- oo.) TAN et al. '041, U.S. Patent No. 6,114,041;
- pp.) A.W. Henry, "High Temperature Degradation of Silicone Rubber Compounds in a Silicone Oil Environment", Rubber Chemistry and Technology, American Chemical Society, Rubber Division, Akron, OH, Vol. 56, pp. 83-92 (1982);
- qq.) "Cab-O-Sil® Untreated Fumed Silica Properties and Functions", Cabot Corporation, Tuscola, IL, (1978, 1993);
- rr.) Silicon Compounds: Register and Review, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition, R. Anderson et al. (Eds.), United Chemical Technologies, Bristol, PA, pp. 59-75 (1991); and

ss.) "Cab-O-Sil® TS-530 Treated Fumed Silica", Cabot Corporation, Tuscola, IL, (1991; TSD-131, 10/98).

2.) The following pending U.S. applications:

- a.) DAVIS et al., U.S. Application No. 09/450,302, filed November 29, 1999;
- b.) PICKERING et al., U.S. Application No. 09/879,585, filed June 12, 2001; and
- c.) PICKERING, U.S. Application No. 09/879,674, filed June 12, 2001.


The foregoing materials are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B Forms, and copies of these materials are provided herewith. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider all of these materials, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B Forms. Applicants further respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B Forms with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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Should there be any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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